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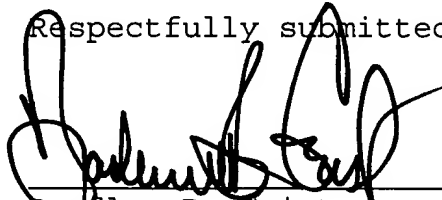
REMARKS

Claims 1-3 are currently pending. Claim 1 is herewith amended. No new matter has been added by virtue of this amendment. The newly added language to Claim 1 is disclosed in the application as filed at page 9, lines 3-13 and page 13 at lines 10-18.

On the merits, the Examiner has rejected Claim 1-3 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,970,084 (Honda). The arguments advanced in support of this rejection are set forth in item No. 3 on pages 2 and 3 of the Official Action, and not herein repeated. Further, the Examiner states in his "Response to Arguments" that the Honda reference "fails to disclose that 'only the correlation value calculator having a larger value than the threshold value in the monitoring section calculates the correction' is not found in the claims." Claim 1 now includes the foregoing recitation, and accordingly patentably distinguishes over the Honda reference.

Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of the pending Claim 1-3.

Respectfully submitted,



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